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## **The Performance Institute Announces Keynote Speaker for the City and County Performance Summit**

Arlington, VA (Dec 2008) – The City and County Performance Summit has just confirmed its keynote speaker for the Summit on April 1-2, 2009. This year George Burgess, County Manager of Miami-Dade County, Florida will be giving the County Executive Update on the first day of the conference.

During the keynote address, Burgess will address managing billion dollar budgets and how he developed the county's first strategic plan. The strategic plan helps departments that deliver services to taxpayers drive their business plans and service delivery. His plan includes five initiatives to help improve community in one of the largest counties in the southeastern United States.

Burgess has been the recipient of the Distinguished Public Service Practitioner Award. This is his first time speaking at the annual City and County Performance Summit with The Performance Institute. This is the ninth annual summit and is part of The Performance Institute's Government Innovations Expo. This conference is two days plus two full day pre-conference seminars and four post-conference workshops.

Called "the leading think tank in performance measurement for government" on OMB's ExpectMore.gov, The Performance Institute has been a leader in Performance Management Training and Policy since the 2000 administration transition. As part of the Performance Coalition, a group of good government associations, the Institute

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worked in 2000 to deliver recommendations to the then-new administration on what would become the President's Management Agenda. In 2008, the Institute leads the Transitions in Governance Project, another research coalition effort with that has provided recommendations for the future of performance management for Obama's Administration

The Performance Institute has published several research reports regarding performance management initiatives and trains over 10,000 government managers per year on performance-based topics. Dedicated to improving citizen services and taxpayer transparency, the Institute uses a best-practices foundation to deliver the most effective and tested methodologies for improving performance.

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